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SUBJECT: UNCTAD - MEETING ON MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL
FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INSTITUTIONS, 14-22 MARCH

REF: BRUNGART/PREEG LETTER JAN 5, 1977

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED AN AIDE-MEMOIRE FROM THE UNCTAD
SECRETARY GENERAL ON THE PROPOSED MEETINGS ON MULTILATERAL
AND BILATERAL FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN-
STITUTIONS AS CALLED FOR IN PARA 35 OF RESOLUTION 98(IV)
OF UNCTAD IV. A COPY WAS SENT BY AIRMAIL DIRECTLY
TO THE AID ADMINISTRATOR.

2. THE AIDE-MEMOIRE STATES: QUOTE

"THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN GENEVA AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS
FROM 14 TO 22 MARCH 1977. A MAJOR PURPOSE WILL BE TO DISCUSS THE
AID PROCESS IN THE HOPE THAT IT CAN BE MADE SIMPLER, MORE EFFECTIVE
AND MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES,
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT SITUATION FACING THESE
COUNTRIES. THE MEETING IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE THE OCCASION FOR A
PRACTICAL, TECHNICAL DISCUSSION OF MAJOR PROBLEMS AMONG SENIOR
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OFFICIALS FROM BOTH THE DONOR AND RECIPIENT SIDES WHO DEAL ON A
DAY-TO-DAY BASIS WITH POLICIES, NEGOTIATIONS OR MANAGEMENT OF AID
FOR THESE COUNTRIES. IT IS THUS INTENDED TO BE A MEETING OF EXPERTS
ACTING IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITY. DOCUMENTATION WILL INCLUDE A
SERIES OF DETAILED CASE-STUDIES OF THE AID PROCESS IN SELECTED
LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. AN AGENDA AND SPECIFIC WORK PROGRAMME
FOR THE MEETING WILL BE FORWARDED TO PARTICIPANTS SHORTLY.

THE SUCCESS OF THIS MEETING IS CRUCIALLY DEPENDENT ON THE PARTICIPATION OF SENIOR AND KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIALS FROM BOTH THE DONOR AND RECIPIENT SIDES. PARTICIPANTS FROM DONOR INSTITUTIONS SHOULD HAVE EXPERT KNOWLEDGE OF THE AID PROCESS, ESPECIALLY AS IT APPLIES TO THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. EACH LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRY HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO SEND AS ITS REPRESENTATIVE A KEY OFFICIAL FROM THE MINISTRY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CO-ORDINATION OF EXTERNAL FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. TO ENSURE THE GREATEST PRACTICAL BENEFIT FROM THE DISCUSSIONS, IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR GOVERNMENTS WITH SIGNIFICANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES IN LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO BE REPRESENTED BY AT LEAST ONE SENIOR HEADQUARTERS OFFICIAL FROM THEIR MAJOR AID INSTITUTION AND, IF POSSIBLE, ALSO BY ONE SENIOR OFFICIAL WITH CONSIDERABLE FIELD EXPERIENCE IN THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 98 (IV), THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD WISHES TO INVITE HIS EXCELLENCY'S GOVERNMENT TO DESIGNATE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ITS MOST RELEVANT FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INSTITUTION(S) TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING."
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